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# Windsor Locks Flight Standards District Office

## Windsor Locks, Connecticut

# Aviation Safety Program

## Aviation Safety Education Seminar

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POST IN A PROMINENT LOCATION SO YOU DON'T MISS ANY OF THIS MONTH'S  
SEMINARS---WHY NOT TAKE A FRIEND TO YOUR NEXT SEMINAR?  
ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE OF CHARGE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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## FAA'S PILOT PROFICIENCY AWARDS PROGRAM "WINGS"

**Who may participate?** Pilots holding a private certificate or higher. Includes: airplanes, seaplanes, rotorcraft, gliders, lighter than air, and ultralights. **Why participate?** Regular proficiency training is essential to the safety of all pilots. In addition, completion of the "WINGS" program satisfies the requirements of FAR 61.56 (Flight Review). Be in touch with your strengths and weaknesses. **What are the requirements?** Attend an FAA sponsored safety seminar and receive 3 hours of flight instruction; an hour each on: take offs and landings, instrument flying, and basic airwork. All requirements must be completed within a 12 month period. Every 12 months, you can achieve another phase of the "WINGS" program. The requirements are the same for each phase. Receive a set of "WINGS" and a certificate for each phase. Consult Advisory Circular 61-91H for details.



**CHECK NOTAMS BEFORE EVERY FLIGHT!**

## AERONAUTICAL DECISION MAKING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2002, 7:30 PM

INTERSTATE AVIATION/ROBERTSON FIELD/PLAINVILLE, CT

On every flight, we make countless decisions. Some are conscious, others are not. Some are good, others are not! This workshop will look at the "human factors" of aviation mishaps, and give us some tools and techniques for eliminating "pilot factor" accidents. Shouldn't you be there?

SPONSORED BY INTERSTATE AVIATION

Contact: Bob Nardiello (800) 573-5519

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## OPERATIONS AT NONTOWERED AIRPORTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2002, **NOTE 7:00PM Start Time**

BULLOCK HANGAR/FITCHBURG AIRPORT/FITCHBURG, MA

Most General Aviation flying starts or ends at nontowered airports. Far too often it seems that when more than one aircraft is working the pattern, there is a breakdown in effectiveness. This session will review "proper" standardized procedures for operating around nontowered airports and discuss some of the pitfalls involved. Share your experiences and insights with fellow aviators at this very important session.

SPONSORED BY FITCHBURG PILOT'S ASSOCIATION

Contact: Ed Murphy (508) 829-2994

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## CFI WORKSHOP/ACCIDENT REVIEW

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002, 7:30PM

PROFESSIONAL FLIGHT TRAINING (ATLANTIC AVIATION SOUTH)/BRAINARD FIELD/HARTFORD, CT

As instructors, we have a far-reaching effect on the aviation community. This workshop will focus on the lessons learned from last year's mishaps and address the areas where instructors can focus their energy for the most positive change. We welcome your input and participation. You can make a difference!

Contact: Gary Ciriello/Caitlen Jones-Henry (860) 724-2245

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## AVOIDING LANDING ACCIDENTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2002, 7:30 PM

BRIDGEPORT HARLEY DAVIDSON/155 RESEARCH DR/STRATFORD, CT

Off Lordship Boulevard at Exit 30, I-95

Now, we all know that perfect landings are elusive! According to the NTSB there were 70 loss of control accidents in the US this past year. But, there is a lot that we can do to prevent these from happening to us! The AOPA says that **48% of ALL** weather related accidents involve wind and half of these were caused by pilots losing control in a crosswind. **How do we, as pilots, fix this?**

**Come...Find Out!**

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Contact: David Faile (FOSAemail@aol.com)

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## HANGAR FLYING SESSION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2002, **NOTE 7:00 START TIME**

WINDHAM AVIATION HANGAR, WINDHAM AIRPORT, CT

Aviation Safety Counselor and Gold Seal, Master Flight Instructor Mike Berlin will lead this lively interactive session. We'll discuss the new PTS changes, BFRs, FARs, TFRs and anything else! Bring your questions and confessions ("I know a pilot who...!")

Remember, good pilots are always learning. Let's learn from each other!

SPONSORED BY WINDHAM AVIATION [windhamaviation@juno.com](mailto:windhamaviation@juno.com)

Contact: Mike Berlin (860) 456-4156

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## AN EVENING WITH AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2002, 7:30 PM

LYON AVIATION/MAIN TERMINAL BUILDING PITTSFIELD AIRPORT /PITTSFIELD, MA

Effective communication with Air Traffic Control begins with understanding. This session will allow you to meet with a representative from Albany Approach Control facility and discuss areas of mutual concern to controllers and pilots. It's a great opportunity to clear up those areas of confusion and misunderstanding. Bring your questions.

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(413) 443-6700

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Student Pilots Welcome!

## WHY'D I DO THAT?

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2002, 7:30 PM

MIRY BROOK VOLUNTEER FIRE HOUSE/MIRY BROOK ROAD/DANBURY AIRPORT/DANBURY, CT

Veteran aviator and author Nina Anderson will lead this interactive session seeking answers to some of our irrational decisions during flight. Nina has a keen interest in human factors mishaps, and will help us to get to the bottom of how nutrition, stress, and health affect our aeronautical decision making. Bring your stories and share them with us. This should be a great session!

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MIRY BROOK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT

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**THE PROFESSIONAL AVIATION MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION (PAMA) IS THE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR AVIATION MAINTENANCE PROFESSIONALS AND THE INDUSTRY THEY SERVE. THEIR MISSION IS TO ENHANCE PROFESSIONALISM AND RECOGNITION OF THE AVIATION MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN THROUGH COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION, REPRESENTATION, AND SUPPORT FOR CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IN AVIATION SAFETY. VISIT THEIR WEB SITE AT WWW.PAMA.ORG**

*Uncertainties with the FAA's budget may not permit "hard copies" of the monthly safety seminars to be mailed out each month. Those with internet capability should always refer to our New England Flight Standards Web Site for current safety seminar information.*

[http://www.faa.gov/region/ane/flight\\_standards/index.htm](http://www.faa.gov/region/ane/flight_standards/index.htm) Other local sources of seminar information include:

1. <http://www.airsafety.org>
2. The Atlantic Flyer aviation newspaper or Aviation Digest
3. Windsor Locks FSDO 860-654-1000 Selection #4

Dial the AFSS at 1-800-WX-BRIEF, choose the option for 'Recorded Products', follow the instructions to hear safety seminar schedule.

## **HOW TO AVOID AN AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT**

- *Establish and complete a recurrent training program.*
- *Practice normal and crosswind landings and takeoffs.*
- *Practice emergency procedures, including emergency landings.*
- *ALWAYS carry sufficient fuel to destination plus suitable reserve.*
- *Get as much instrument training as possible. Actual IMC preferred.*
- *Practice go-arounds so that you are ready to fly one when necessary.*
  - *If it doesn't feel right, it probably isn't. Check it out.*
    - *Preflight as if your life depends on it.*
    - *Have options-Always leave yourself an out.*
  - *Flight in marginal VFR is dangerous. Don't do it!*
    - *ALWAYS use your checklist.*
  - *To achieve a good landing, fly a good approach.*
- *Preflight yourself as well as your aircraft; Stress/Illness/Medications/Fatigue*
  - *Set personal minimums applicable to YOUR skills and experience.*
  - *When in doubt, ask for help. 121.5 works wonders.*
- *Expect the unexpected. (Door open, airspeed inop, equipment failures)*
  - *Don't compound a mistake. Egos kill.*
  - *Look out the windows OFTEN.*
  - *Be the "Pilot In Command".*

**EARN YOUR WINGS!** Regular proficiency training is essential to the safety of all pilots and their passengers. The objective of the Pilot Proficiency Awards Program is to provide pilots with the opportunity to establish and participate in a personal recurrent training program. Join your fellow pilots who recognize the need for recurrent flight training. Congratulations to this month's recipients.

**PHASE I**

*John Perry  
Jasmina Denner  
William Briggs  
Van Fehr  
Barbara Stover  
Alan Katz  
Jeffrey Rydel  
Ehrmann Iris*

**PHASE II**

*Brigitte Moesta  
Raymond Morgan*

*Robert Gould*

*Gary Baylor  
Leila Baroody*

**PHASE III**

*John Birtwell Jr.*

**PHASE IV**

*Clayton Fuller  
Christopher Dooley  
Dana Crouse*

**PHASE V**

*Linda Clark  
William Wadsworth*

**PHASE VI**

*Allan Taylor  
Donald Pitman  
Rolf Olson  
Mitchell Berger*

**PHASE VII**

*Michael Berlin  
E. Gregory Amy*

**PHASE VIII**

*John Moran*

**PHASE IX**

*David Faile*

**PHASE XI**

*Joseph Cortis*

**PHASE XIV**

*Frank Vener*

**PHASE XVI**

*Bruce Fraser*

**Remember, if you satisfactorily complete a phase of the WINGS program within the period specified by Section 61.56 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, you need not complete a flight review.**

**DON'T COME ALONE, CALL A FRIEND AND REMIND THEM OF THE SEMINAR.**

**Remember, a pilot is only as good as his/her next flight! We can never get too much training.**

